

*IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE*

*ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 040373-0381*

Applicant: Tatsuo NAKAYAMA, et al.

Title: ELECTRODE, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME  
AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE USING THE SAME

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: